

June 28, 2006  
Work Session

Minutes

Members present

Brady Wooten- Chairman  
Allen Sneed- Vice- Chairman  
Leon Casstevens- Commissioner  
Kim Clark Phillips- Commissioner  
D.C. Swaim- Commissioner

Others Present

Cecil E. Wood- County Manager  
Melinda Vestal-Clerk to the Board

Chairman Wooten called the recessed meeting back to order.

Mr. Wood clarified the salary questions discussed at the last meeting; employees received steps. Mr. Wood handed out the salaries mandated by the State for the health department and social services.

Mr. Wood reviewed the proposed changes to the budget.

Chairman Wooten questioned figures from the fire departments.

The Board discussed the new waterlines and how they would affect the fire tax rates. The fire departments would need to be re-graded.

Chairman Wooten asked if there were any areas in the budget which could be cut.

Mr. Wood stated most departments held to last year's budget.

Chairman Wooten discussed errors in past budgets.

Commissioner Swaim stated there are no additional revenues coming in. The county has lost \$111 million over the past three years.

Commissioner Sneed discussed the per capita for Crossroads and inquired why this was not the same for ADVP.

Mr. Wood stated there used to be a separate allocation several years ago for ADVP, now the money is sent directly to Crossroads. Our program does not get the same amount for our ADVP children.

Commissioner Swaim stated the money sent to Crossroads is used for Yadkin County citizens

The Board discussed the resolution adopted for Surry Community College which indicates the county will fund up to \$150,000 to assist with maintenance.

Commissioner Casstevens suggested splitting the difference of the requested amount for SCC.

**\*Commissioner Phillips made the motion to approve the additional requests:**

- Tax Assessor- postage increase \$4,200
- Register of Deeds- contract increase \$6,500
- Sheriff – 401K –increase \$15,000
- Sheriff- maintenance \$6,300
- EMS- 401K **(\$-939)**
- Health (admin)- contract services \$2,600
- Health (nursing/medical)- 401K **(\$-545)**
- Health (nursing/medical) - aides contract \$350
- Health- (nursing/medical) \$5,500
- Health (nursing/medical)-equipment **(-\$350)**
- Health ( health check coor) postage \$300
- Health ( communicable disease) supplies/biot **(-\$1000)**
- Health (communicable disease)- travel (\$1000)
- Health (tuberculosis) contract services (\$20)
- Health ( tuberculosis) supplies/materials (\$821)

- Smart Start-supplies/materials (\$334)
- Smart Start –travel (\$2400)
- Smart Start- postage (\$1,500)
- Smart Start-rent (\$1,000)
- Child Health- 401K **(-\$114)**
- Family Planning- medicine/drugs (\$1000)
- Social Services- Assistance programs-Links (\$1,000)
- Veteran Services-travel (\$1,000)
- Library- an additional (\$7,391)
- EMS- retirement (\$5,869)

Commissioner Sneed seconded. The Board voted 5-0.

**\*Commissioner Phillips made the motion to approve the additional funding of \$3,856 for Crossroads. Commissioner Sneed seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

**\*Commissioner Swaim made the motion to fund SCC an additional \$20,000. Commissioner Phillips seconded. The Board voted 5-0.**

Mr. Wood informed the Board that based on the information received the county has the amount needed for the Low Wealth Funds.

Chairman Wooten asked for specifics regarding the school's capital outlay.

The Board discussed the cuts for the schools and the use of their fund balance.

Chairman Wooten asked about the narratives that were provided last year which explained the capital outlay needs in the department.

Mr. Wood commended the departments on their frugal spending.

**Chairman Wooten called for a break.**

Chairman Wooten inquired about the animal shelter

Mr. Wood stated the rabies vaccination procedures have been implemented.

The Board discussed the various costs at the animal shelter.

Commissioner Phillips stated budgeted money not used goes back to the general fund. She discussed the Medicaid cap and schools.

Mr. Wood stated the Medicaid cap would save +/- \$500,000.

Commissioner Sneed discussed the audit for last year. He commented the Board was given wrong amounts regarding how much money the county actually had.

Mr. Wood stated there is \$4 million in the undesignated fund and this year he is proposing to spend \$1.1 million to balance the budget.

Chairman Wooten asked Mr. Wood to get the information on the schools' capital needs by Monday morning.

**\*Commissioner Phillips made the motion to adopt the budget as presented with the previously approved changes and any funds leftover from the 05/06 budget are to go to the schools. Commissioner Swaim seconded. The Board voted 2-3. Commissioners Sneed, Wooten and Casstevens opposed.**

Commissioner Sneed stated the county does not have funds to cover services, but we are asking for new employees. He stated we are not fully utilizing the current employees. He disagreed with the \$55,000 in the contingency fund.

Mr. Wood stated if something does happen we need to know where the money will come from, and just because its there does not mean it has to be spent.

Chairman Wooten stated spending has to be reduced.

The Board discussed an interim budget.

**\*Commissioner Phillips made the motion to adopt an interim budget for the month of July. Commissioner Swaim seconded. The Board voted 2-3. Commissioners Sneed, Wooten, and Casstevens opposed.**

**Recess**

**\*Commissioner Sneed made the motion to recess until Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Casstevens seconded. The Board voted 3-2. Commissioners Swaim and Phillips opposed.**

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Melinda Vestal, CMC  
Clerk to the Board